

WATER DISTRICTS—REPORTS

CHAPTER 62⁵⁰

H. B. No. 27

An Act requiring every water district, created pursuant to the Constitution of Texas, to file with the Board of Water Engineers or its successor a certified copy of the Act or order creating same or altering its boundaries, as well as such information necessary to maintain an up-to-date list of its officers; requiring the Board to file such information for public inspection; providing penalties for violation; repealing all conflicting laws; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Every river authority, water conservation and reclamation district, water control and improvement district, water improvement district, water control and preservation district, fresh water supply district, levee improvement district, drainage district, navigation district, irrigation district and any type of water district, heretofore or hereafter created by either the Legislature, Board of Water Engineers or its successor or any County Commissioners Court, pursuant to Section 59 of Article XVI or Section 52 of Article III of the Constitution of Texas, shall file within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this Act or within sixty (60) days after its organization or creation with the Board of Water Engineers or its successor a certified copy of the Legislative Act, with amendments, creating such district or authority, or if authorized to be created by the Board of Water Engineers, or its successor or any County Commissioners Court, a certified copy of the order creating or authorizing the creation of such district. If the boundaries of any district have been altered or are hereafter altered by inclusions or exclusions of land, the district shall file within sixty (60) days after such alteration with the Board of Water Engineers or its successor a certified copy of the order of the district's governing body altering such boundaries.

Sec. 2. Every such district or authority shall file within sixty (60) days in the office of the Board of Water Engineers or its successor a list of the names and addresses of the officers and members of the Board of Directors or other governing body of such district, which list shall set forth the date that the term of office of each director or member of the governing body shall expire. Thereafter, the district shall notify the Board immediately of any changes in membership due to resignation or death, giving the name of the newly elected or appointed member. After any election or selection of a director or member, the district shall notify the Board within thirty (30) days of such election the name of the director or member chosen, together with the date that each term of office shall expire.

Sec. 3. The Board of Water Engineers or its successor shall adopt a system for the filing of the information required by the provisions of this Act, which file shall be open for inspection by the public during the office hours of the Board.

Sec. 4. Failure on the part of any district to fully comply with the provisions of this Act shall subject the district to a civil penalty of Fifty Dollars (\$50) and a further civil penalty of Two Dollars (\$2) per day for each day of failure to comply with such provisions after the effective date of this Act; and the State may recover such a penalty by suit therefor, provided, however, the maximum penalty shall not exceed the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300).

50. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 8280—7.

Sec. 5. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and should any section or provision hereof be declared unconstitutional or invalid, such invalidity shall not impair any remaining sections or provisions of this Act and it is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been passed as to the remaining portions hereof, regardless of the invalidity of any part.

Sec. 6. The fact that there is no single State agency which has on file a list of water districts created throughout the State, the importance of having a central clearing house for the information herein required, and the public importance of this legislation create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and the Rule is hereby suspended, and this Act shall be in effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the House, March 2, 1955, by a viva-voce vote; passed the Senate, March 16, 1955, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved April 9, 1955.

Effective 90 days after June 7, 1955, date of adjournment.

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUMS—BOND VALIDATION

CHAPTER 63⁵¹

S.B. No. 188

An Act validating, ratifying and confirming bonds for construction of an auditorium and necessary equipment and facilities including parking facilities and necessary equipment heretofore authorized and any and all acts and proceedings in connection with authorizing such bonds by any incorporated city, including home-rule cities, and validating, ratifying and confirming the pledging the revenues of the auditorium, coliseum, and the facilities and parking facilities in connection with both, including future extensions, additions, replacements and improvements to both, and further pledging other revenues to be derived from parking meters and certain swimming pools in the city; providing for the payment of such bonds and interest thereon; providing that this Act shall not apply in certain instances; providing this Act shall take precedence over other laws or parts thereof in conflict herewith; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. All bonds heretofore authorized by an incorporated city, including home-rule cities, for the purpose of constructing a municipal auditorium and to purchase or acquire the necessary lands, equipment and facilities therefor, including lands for parking and the necessary equipment and facilities therefor, and which pledge the revenues of the auditorium to be acquired, constructed and equipped by the use of the proceeds of such bonds, and which pledge the revenues of a coliseum, if any, owned by the city, together with the parking facilities in connection therewith, for either or both, including all present and future extensions, additions, replacements and improvements thereto, for either or both, and which pledge other revenues to be derived from parking meters in the city and from certain existing swimming pools in the city, and any and all acts and proceedings pertaining to the authorization and issuance

51. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 1269J—6.